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TO MIX IN RING

Jimmy Britt and Battling Nelson to Show Which is Least Down and Out.

BURNS MAY FIGHT THE NEGRO JOHNSON

The Great and Only Jim Jeffries May Leave the Charm of Domesticity and Get in Scrapping Condition If Roche Wins Out in Dublin.

BY JEFF THOMPSON.

the great departed! Papers have been Britt and Battling Nelson. Now let Terry McGovern and Young Corbett gign up and Bob Fitzsimmons and Peter maker come together for a match, and

maker come together for a match, and we will have some fighting that is nghting—perhaps.

While I do not regard the fact that the Boer, Unholz, floored Nelson in the first round of their recent fight and outpointed the Dane in their ten-round go, as significant of failing powers on the part of the Battler, the general impression made by the fight on those who saw it, and who are competent to judge, leaves little doubt in my mind that the hard-hitting Hegeswitch youngster has joined the great and growing army of "has-beens."

The number of men who have outpointed the Dane in a ten-round go can almost be counted by the number of men that he has fought that number of rounds. As a boxer, the Battler never was a howling success. He won his fight by main strength and perseverance. I am not at all certain that had the bout been to a finish instead of ten rounds, as it was at Los Angeles, Nelson would not have worn down Unbolz and beaten him.

decision which gave him the long of the purse, will now get on a ch with Packy McFarland, and the ner of that bout will doubtless have hance to wrest the title from Joe

champion of America,

McFariand has many of the earmarks of the successful fighter, and if
1 had to pick a man now before the
public who had the best chance of
beating Gans out, I think my choice
would fall on Packy. It is necessary
for him, however, to gain considerable
ring experience before he would have
much of a chance with Gans.

I hear from London that Tommy Burns will sail for home the latter part of March, and that he has fully made up his mind to give Jack John-

is, he ought to have a chance to de-monstrate the fact. If He is not, it will be a mercy to the entire sporting world to have him licked good and menty.

plenty.

I believe that Burns can turn the trick, and if Johnson does not back out when the time comes to make a match, he is in for a severe and proper lacing at the hands of the Canuck. However, it has been demonstrated on more than one occasion that my judgment in these maters is no more infallible than that of the company. fallible than that of other men, and I may be mistaken.

What with his fights and exhibi-tions I understand Burns is bringing home with him something between f5,000 and f6,000, to say nothing of odd shillings and pence of good Eng-lish money. This is not had for a win-ter's work, even for a near-champion.

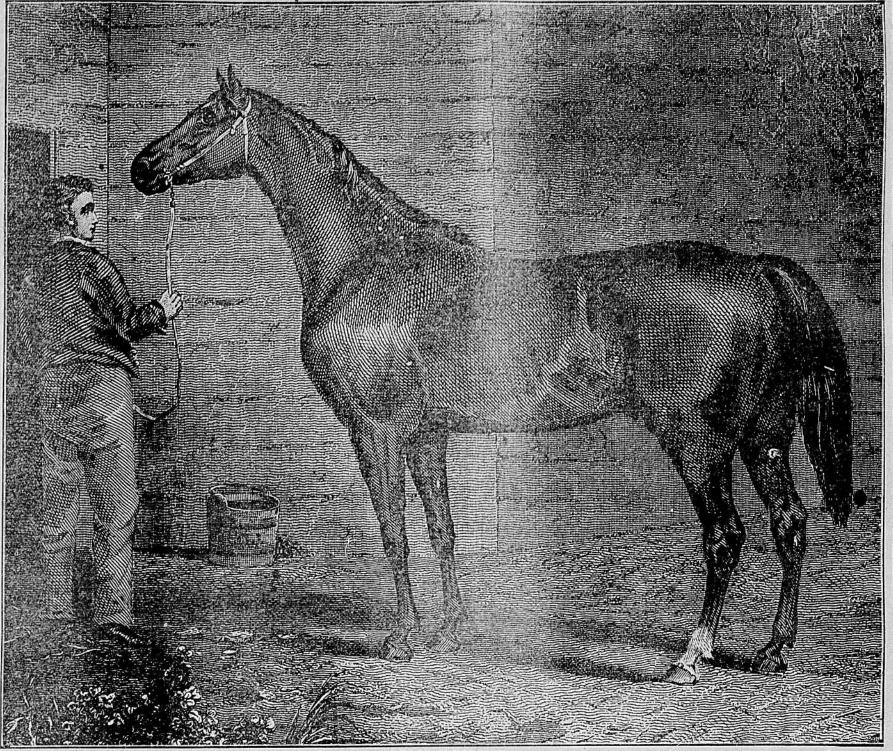
ter's work, even for a near-champion.

Jim Jeffries is watching the Burus-Roche fight, which is to take place in Dublin on St. Patrick's Day, with a good deal of interest. Some enthusiastic Irish friend of the American champion has written him that Rocho is liable to furnish the pugliistic surprise of the year when he meets Burns and tells the big fellow that Jem has all the punching power of Peter Maher, and there are few men who ever stood in the ring who could hit a harder blow than this husky fellow, and adds in addition that Roche is more than a clever boxer. If, by any chance, Roche should succeed in beating Burns, it is not at all improbable that Jefries would give him a match. There is no good that with the Irishman champion of the world, matched against the unheaten Jeffries, the fight would draw a house big enough to make it worth Jeff's while to leave the cafe and alfalfa farm for a long enough time to get in condition for a fight, and it may be remembered that the big fellow always has qualified his repeated announcements of retirement with the proviso that if a foreigner walks off with the championship, he might reconsider his determination not to fight any more.

Princeton Drops Cornell. Princeton Drops Cornell.

Princeton may drop Cornell from her football schiedule, taking on Dartmouth in place of the Ithaca team. Cornell wanted the tame next fall to be played at Ithaca, while the Tigers insisted on Princeton or New York. It is understood that Dartmouth will surely be the team substituted for Cornell if any change is made.

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AMERICAN ECLIPSE

Sporting Letters

LIGHTWEIGHT REFORMS.

Grandson of Sir Archy Was to

His Section What Boston Was to the South.

RAN HIS FIRST RACE WHEN FIVE YEARS OLD

His Great Win Was Against Henry, When More Than \$200,000 Changed Hands, the Southerners Backing Their Favorite to the End.

Boston was the great Southern so Eclipse, who preceded him the great Northern horse. This



HOPPE TO PLAY.